Linguistic Minorities in Delhi

1899. SHRI S. RAMACHNADRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of linguistic minorities and migrants living in Delhi, separately; and

(b) the growth rate of each category of people during the last five years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) The distribution of population of Delhi by languages / mother tongues as per the 1991 Census which also gives details of linguistic minorities is given in Statement (*See* below). As regards migrants living in Delhi, details are given below:—

Migrants classified by place of birth and last place of residence	Number of migrants in Delhi
(i) Migrants whose place of birth is a place other than Delhi	37,10,894
(ii) Migrants whose last place of residence is outside Delhi	35,74,917

(b) These details are not available as Census is conducted once in 10 years. The last Census was conducted in the year 1991 and the next is due in 2001.

Statement

Distribution of Population of Delhi by Languages / Mother tongues as per the 1991 Consus

	Language / Mother Tongues	Number of Speakers		
		Total	Male	Female
1.	Assamese	2,730	1,713	1,017
2.	Bengali	121,938	65,929	56,009
3.	Gujarati	26,732	13,958	12,774
4.	Hindi	7,690,631	4,232,327	3,458,304
5.	Kannada	9,923	5,391	4,532
6.	Kashmiri	11,360	6,024	5,336
7.	Konkani	2,518	1,231	1,287
8.	Malayalam	64,952	35,207	29,745
9.	Manipuri	221	160	61
10.	Marathi	20,393	11,097	9,296
11.	Nepali	26,390	17,414	8,976
12.	Oriya	13,099	8,687	4,412
13.	Punjabi	748,145	386,004	362,141

	Language / Mother Tongues	Number of Speakers		
		Total	Male	Female
14.	Sanskrit	587	409	178
15.	Sindhi	37,381	18,835	18,546
16.	Tamil	84,873	45,210	39,663
17.	Telugu	22,882	12,460	10,422
18.	Urdu	512,990	281,333	231,657
19.	Adi	63	25	38
20.	Anal	2	1	1
21.	Angami	12	4	8
22.	Ao	11	7	4
23.	Arabic / Arbi	492	306	186
24.	Bhili / Bhilodi	404	199	205
25.	Bhotia	22	9	13
26.	Bhumij	10	5	5
27.	Bodo / Boro	39	26	13
28.	Coorgi / Kodagu	31	13	18
29.	Dimasa	2	1	1
30.	Dogri	4,186	2,607	1,579

	Language / Mother Tongues	Number of Speakers		
		Total	Male	Female
31.	English	3,622	1,735	1,887
32.	Godaba	1	1	—
33.	Gangte	6	2	4
34.	Garo	27	9	18
35.	Gondi	251	133	118
36.	Hmar	3	3	—
37.	Ho	10	5	5
38.	Kabui	24	11	13
39.	Karbi / Mikir	8	8	—
40.	Khandeshi	205	94	111
41.	Kharia	56	19	37
42.	Khasi	90	44	46
43.	Khezha	1	—	1
44.	Kinnauri	26	17	9
45.	Koda / Kora	1	—	1
46.	Kolami	2	2	—

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		Total	Male	Female
47.	Konda	4	1	3
48.	Korku	4	2	2
49.	Korwa	18	7	11
50.	Kuki	10	10	—
51.	Kurukh / Oraon	255	112	143
52.	Lahuli	13	8	5
53.	Labnda	4,281	2,164	2,117
54.	Lakher	3	1	2
55.	Lepcha	6	3	3
56.	Lotha	1	1	—
57.	Lushai / Mizo	176	86	90
58.	Mao	6	6	—
59.	Mishmi	7	4	3
60.	Monpa	1	—	1
61.	Munda	87	37	50
62.	Mundari	69	34	35
63.	Nicobarese	1	1	—
64.	Nissi / Dafla	10	9	1
65.	Paite	18	9	9

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		Total	Male	Female
66.	Pochury	3	2	1
67.	Rengma	1	1	—
68.	Santali	214	120	94
69.	Sema	8	7	1
70.	Tangkhul	31	20	11
71.	Tangsa	10	6	4
72.	Thado	20	12	8
73.	Tibetan	1,666	875	791
74.	Tripuri	29	20	9
75.	Tulu	209	117	92
76.	Zeliang	1	—	1
77.	Total of other languages*	6,130	3,162	2,968
	GRAND TOTAL	9,420,644	5,155,512	4,265,132

*Total of other languages consist of those languages / mother tongues which returned less than 10,000 speakers each at the All India level and not identifiable on the basis of linguistic information.